Hampden County Commission on the Status of Women and Girls Agenda

January 14, 2021

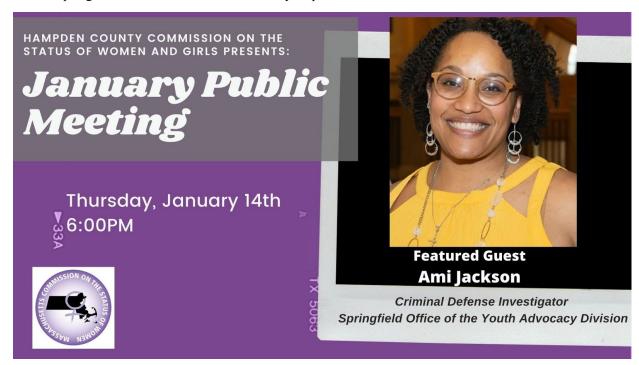
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Online via Zoom:

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- I. Call to Order and Roll Call
- II. Public Speak Out (15 min.)
- III. Approval of minutes from December 10, 2020
- IV. Chair Report
- V. Vice-Chair Report
- VI. Discussion with our featured guest, Ami Jackson, staff Criminal Defense Investigator for the Springfield Office of the Youth Advocacy Department.



VII. Old Business

- a. Collaboration with Hampshire-Franklin
 - i. Trivia Night idea Michelle G.
- b. Coffee Chat Winter Events Updates
 - i. 1/19 Michelle Goncalves, extended as a leadership event
 - ii. 1/27 Lizzy Ortiz
 - iii. Gabrielle, Jen (Hampshire-Franklin) TBD

VIII. New Business

- a. Update: Swearing in of recommended Commissioner, Jacqueline Velez
- b. February 11th Featured Guest- Erika Slocumb
- c. March 11th Featured Guest Michelle Equale
- d. April 8th Featured Guest Dr. Neena Qasba (To be confirmed)
- e. Planning for International Women's Day

IX. Upcoming Statewide Events:

- a. 1/6/2021 4:00pm 5:00pm Budget and Personnel Committee Mtg https://zoom.us/j/98654668479
- b. 1/7/2021 5:00pm-7:00pm Regional Commission Convening https://zoom.us/j/91314461416?pwd=QW8vcEU1NHEweGZHVTF5bGkrQWVG dz09
- c. **1/11/2021** 8:00am-9:30pm Legislative Committee Mtg https://zoom.us/j/95199409244
- d. **1/12/2021** 6:00pm 7:00pm Program and Planning Committee Mtg https://zoom.us/j/91453458116
- e. 1/13/2021 5:00pm 6:00pm Girls Initiative Ad Hoc Mtg https://zoom.us/j/93051636215

X. Adjournment

ABOUT OUR JANUARY FEATURED GUEST:



Ami R. Jackson is the staff Criminal Defense Investigator the Youth Advocacy Division. Ms. Jackson holds a B.S. in Criminal Justice and a Master of Public Administration from Westfield State University. Previously, she worked as an Academic Advisor for Upward Bound, a college preparation program for low-income, first-generation college-bound youth that is funded by the US Department of Education. Additionally, she has worked as a community activist, event coordinator, and outreach

worker with Arise for Social Justice W.I.S.E. Committee (Women In Support of Each Other), a grass roots low-income rights, anti-oppression membership organization in western Massachusetts. Its focus is to educate and support women and children who were/are homeless, drug addicted, incarcerated, in danger of incarceration, or returning to the community from a term of incarceration. Ms. Jackson was the 2019 recipient of the Committee for Public Counsel Services Maria Souto-Armand Goyette Investigator Award.